



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Community Transformed By Christ To Be Christ In The World

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+ Reformation Sunday

October 29, 2023

Prayer request and visitor cards can be found in the pew rack.

(*) Denotes when to stand, if you are able. **Boldface** readings are spoken together.

Prelude "Lord Take My Heart" Charles Overholt Nadine Berg

Welcome and Announcements

***Setting the Table: Semper Reformanda ("Always being Reformed")**

P: As followers of Jesus Christ,
living in this world—
which some seek to control,
but which others view with despair—

**C: We declare with joy and trust:
Our world belongs to God!**

P: From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until
God's kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever.

**C: Our world belongs to God!
God is King! Let the earth be glad!
Christ is Victor; his rule has begun. Hallelujah!
The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the
Lord!**

***Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

#654 vs. 1,2&5

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem "*Song of Creation*" arr. by Derek K. Hakes

Handbell Choir

Children's Message

Pastor Kevin C. Olson

Singing through the Five Sola's of Lutheran Theology:

Sola Scriptura: Scripture Alone

"Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

#517 vs. 1 & 2

Sola fide: Faith Alone

"We Walk by Faith"

#635 vs. 1,2& 3

Sola gratia: Grace Alone

"Amazing Grace"

#779

Sola Christus: Christ Alone

"From Heaven Above"

#268 vs. 1,2& 3

Sola Deo gloria: Glory to God Alone

"Soli Deo Gloria"

#878 vs. 1,3 & 4

***Apostles' Creed**

Along with the church, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Prayers of Intercession**

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God our parent, you call us your children and have made us siblings through your son Jesus. Heal the church's many divisions, bring understanding and peace where there has been contention and strife, and unite us in one body through the love of Christ. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God our savior, you made yourself known in the lives of all who have died in the hope of your grace. We give thanks for the witness of reformers like Martin Luther and for all whose example has brought us closer to you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Reception of Offering

"Teach Me Thy Way" by Stewart Landon Nadine Berg

***Offertory**

Will You Come Follow Me

#798 (vs.1 ELW)

"Will you come and follow me if I but call you name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

***Offering Prayer**

Merciful God, **as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

*** Lord's Prayer**

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***Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn** *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

#504 vs. 1,2 &4

***Dismissal**

We rejoice in the goodness of God,
renounce the works of darkness,
and dedicate ourselves to holy living.

**As covenant partners,
called to faithful obedience,
and set free for joyful praise,
we offer our hearts and lives
to do God's work in his world.**

With tempered impatience,
eager to see injustice ended,
we expect the Day of the Lord.

**And we are confident
that the light which shines in the present darkness
will fill the earth when Christ appears.
Come, Lord Jesus!
Our world belongs to you.**

Postlude *Christ, the Cornerstone* Benton Price

Nadine Berg

Assisting with Worship Today:

Pastor: Kevin C. Olson

Alcolyte: Archer Snow

Lector: Pam Rundell

Choir Director: Roy Berg

Organist: Nadine Berg

Ushers: Greg Hoag, Jim Christian, Steve Stunkard, Tim Rasch

Tellers: Jill Klapatch & Debbie Lind

Video Recorder: Dustin Davidson/John Law

Altar Guild: Suzanne Clark, Patty Sterle

NEWS & NOTES

We extend God's Richest Blessings to the following young people who will affirm their faith later this morning at the Rite of Confirmation Service:

Finn Eskeli

Allie Hagen

Austin Valento

Our Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Helga Nelson for Brian Nelson.

Happy Birthday wishes to Jerome Seppala (10/29)

All Saints Sunday is November 5th. All Saints Sunday celebrates ALL the baptized people of God who make up the body of Christ, with a particular emphasis on the faithful who have died the last calendar year.

As part of our 9 am worship service we will remember by name, prayer, and tolling of a bell, our loved ones from Our Savior's who have faithfully taken their heavenly reward. Please note the option to view our worship service virtually. If you choose to worship from home, we encourage you to light a candle there as well. In addition, as part of the worship service, there will be time for worshippers to have a candle lit in memory of any one whom they so choose. Tears may flow, but even in the midst of grief and loss, God wipes away all tears and makes all things new.

Turkey Salad Luncheon & Bake Sale! A very busy week ahead. We will be serving our famous Turkey Salad Luncheon and baked goods to the public on Saturday, November 4 from 11-2. (Yes, Saturday!) All hands on deck this week to assist with Lefse, doughnuts, salad, setting up and decorating. And don't forget we will need your donations of cookies and delicious bakery items to sell. All members are encouraged to set aside time to assist in the kitchen preparations for Lefse (Nancy Davidson), Doughnuts and Turkey prep (Linda Kangas). All members will be needed on both Friday and Saturday to prepare, serve, and welcome the public to support our missionary commitment. Please help!

Lefse making for the bazaar will be Thursday 11/2/23 starting at 3:00 PM. Please feel free to join in the fun at any time and leave when it works for your schedule. All are welcome and if you have any lefse making equipment please bring it along. If you have questions, please call or text Nancy Davidson [218-969-7226](tel:218-969-7226). Thank you.

Our Savior's Thanksgiving Worship will be Sunday, November 19th at 9 with a pie social will follow. Please be sure to bring your favorite pie and gather with us.

Sharik/Farseth Scholarship applications are being accepted – deadline is October 31st. Our selection criteria would include the following – Member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church; must have completed 1 year (minimum of 30 credits) of post-secondary education within the past 3 years (include transcript); volunteer activities in school, church and community; and, academic performance. Applications available in the office, via mail or e-mail.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today, 29th

9:00 Worship &
Sunday School
10:00 Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 Radio Broadcast
1240 AM WMFG
11:00 Confirmation
Service
6:00 VOICES of Reason

Monday, 30th

9:00 Quilting

Tuesday, 31th

11:00 Staff

Wednesday, 1st

8:30 Bible Study
10:00 LEE Center
1:00 Food Shelf
6:00 Handbells
7:00 Confirmation
Grades 7th- 10th
Choir

Thursday, 2nd

3:00 Lefse Making

Friday, 3rd

1:00 Food Shelf

Saturday, 4th

11 am – 2 pm Bazaar

